

Coordinator report March 28, 2019

Budget is in pretty good shape as we got the school requested assessments for both Tech and Pioneer. This is almost half of Warwick \$2M budget.

FCTS cost to Warwick went down about \$39k because of lower enrollment there. Tech does not average enrollment over time like PV which is five-year averaged; so, the Tech School assessment moves around each year based on how many kids we send. Our PVRSD assessment is \$849,242 which is about \$20k higher than last year. And overall school spending looks like it is down for Warwick by about \$25k.

ATM warrant is drafted for your review. There are 28 proposed articles. In 2018 ATM permanently authorized our revolving funds as provided by financial modernization act so all we are doing this year is setting the spending limits. My understanding is that during the year the Selectboard can vote to increase a RF limit provided TM did authorize an original amount

According to our DOR representative Warwick's Schedule A has been submitted to DOR by BMAG and they are waiting on BMAG to submit our balance sheet. Baystate for their part is waiting on some data and confirmations by our Treasurer and Collector. Ball is in our court.

Town Counsel has an idea regarding the Superintendent five-year contract which he says isn't effective until the first year of the contract is funded. Two town's voting down the budget in whole would do the trick. And Town counsel has an idea to split the requested assessment into two separate votes. If the board is interested, I'll continue discussions.

I recommend the Selectboard discuss a cost of living COLA increase and make a recommendation. PV District teachers get 3.5% every year for 15 years. Your town employees got nothing for pay increases in four of the past five years.

I started back working out of the office last week following hip joint replacement. This week and last I am trying to limit to four hours at town hall sitting in a chair. My note from the surgeon says I can work 4 - 8 hours per day. I am working up to the longer on site day.